# MINUTES BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION MEETING SEPTEMBER 12, 2012 AT 8:30 A.M. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 123 WASHINGTON STREET COLUMBUS, INDIANA

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Zack Ellison (President), Jim Reed, Paul Franke, Tom Finke (Secretary), Don Meier, Phyllis Apple, Jorge Morales, Mike Ferree, Lisa Moore and Dave Hayward (City Plan Commission Liaison).

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jeff Bergman, Melissa Begley, Trudi Smith, Sondra Bohn, Cindy Boll (Deputy County Attorney) and Danny Hollander (County Engineer).

### CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of the August 8, 2012 Meeting (Approval and Signing)

Motion: Mr. Finke made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Apple seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by voice vote.

### **OLD BUSINESS REQUIRING COMMISSION ACTION**

None

# **NEW BUSINESS REQUIRING COMMISSION ACTION**

**BAD-12-20:** Plummer's Administrative Subdivision 2<sup>nd</sup> Replat - A request by Mike Tangman for approval of a modification from Section 8.27 of the Bartholomew County Subdivision Control Ordinance to allow an agricultural tract of 13.33 acres, 6.67 acres than the required 20 acres. The property is located at 7353 West 930 South in Jackson Township. (*Meeting Time 8:00 minutes.*)

Mr. Weintraut presented the staff information on this request.

Mr. Ted Darnell with Crowder and Darnell represented the petitioners.

Mr. Ellison opened the meeting to the public.

There was no one to speak for or against this request.

Mr. Ellison closed the meeting to the public.

Motion: Mr. Franke made a motion to approve this request as proposed. Ms. Apple seconded the motion and it carried with a vote of 9-0.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Mr. Ellison asked if there needed to be more discussion on amending the Subdivision Control

Ordinance to allow less acreage remaining on an agricultural tract when subdividing. Mr. Bergman stated that setting a smaller lot size may not be the answer, but rather allowing the natural topography to determine an appropriate agricultural tract size. He stated it was his opinion that the Commission was seeing more of these types of requests for modification. The Commission indicated that the Subdivision Control Ordinance should be amended to address this issue and asked the staff to proceed with this task.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:00 a.m.

Zack Ellison, President

Tom Finke, Secretary